



**SHREWSBURY CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
SHREWSBURY, MASSACHUSETTS**

**MINUTES**

Regular Meeting: Tuesday, December 17, 2002, 2002 - 7:00 P.M.

Location: Selectmen's Meeting Room - Municipal Office Building

**Present:** John J. Ostrosky, Chairman  
Robert P. Jacques, Vice-Chairman  
Dorbert A. Thomas, Clerk  
Patricia M. Banks  
Kenneth F. Polito

**Also Present:** Brad Stone, Agent

**Absent:** John D. Perreault, Town Engineer

Mr. Ostrosky opened the meeting at 7:00 P.M.

**1. Review and Approve Minutes**

The Conservation Commission approved the Minutes as submitted as follows:

October 15, 2002 – Regular Meeting approved by the Commission

November 19, 2002 – Regular Meeting approved by the Commission

October 16, 2001 – Executive Session approved by the Commission

Executive Sessions held in 1998 – 1999 – approved by the Commission with Mr. Polito  
abstaining as he was not a member of the Commission  
during this time.

**2. Signed bills.**

**3. Review and vote on 2003 meeting schedule**

The Commission approved the 2003 meeting schedule

**4. Meetings and Hearings – 7:05 P.M.**

**RDA Public Hearing regarding the Request for Determination of Applicability filed  
by William & Cynthia Wright for the construction of a house addition and deck  
at 1 Cooper Drive**

William and Cindy Wright – the homeowners, and Mark Beaudry – the engineer from Merridian Engineering, attended the hearing.

Mr. Beaudry said they want to put on a 342 sq. ft. addition and a 271 sq. ft. deck on the existing house. He said there are two wetland areas in question. He explained the proposed deck will move about two feet closer and the addition will move about four feet closer than the house, therefore the addition will be about 44 feet away from the wetland area and the deck will be about 54 feet away from the wetland area. He also said the area disturbed will be less than 5,000 sq. ft. He said work is within the buffer zone and they propose using erosion control measures, such as haybales, along the perimeter of the work.

Mr. Ostrosky closed the hearing for the Request for Determination of Applicability.

The Commission voted a negative determination with conditions as listed.

**285-\*\*\*\* Public Hearing regarding the Notice of Intent filed by George & Joanne Smith for the construction of a house addition at 33 Clews Street**

George and Joanne Smith – the homeowners, and Glenn Krevosky – the wetlands engineer, attended the hearing.

Mr. Krevosky said they want to put on a 21 x 23 addition to the existing house. He said the closest point is 48 feet to the wetland area. He said they want to work this season if the ground is not frozen. He said all work is within the buffer zone.

Mr. Ostrosky officially closed the hearing.

**285-\*\*\*\* Public Hearing regarding the Notice of Intent filed by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Environmental management for repairs to stabilize the flood control dike and create adequate turning area for maintenance vehicles on property at 0 Hill Street**

Dave Lenart from Tighe & Bond, attended the hearing. Mr. Lenart said the dike's condition has deteriorated and needs some work. He said two things they want to do is return the stream to its original position, and provide a stable platform for mowing equipment to turn-around. He said the slope has some trees on it and some need to be removed. He proposed using haybales and silt fencing. He also said the entire project is within the riverfront area.

The Commission said a condition should be put in for a timeframe for doing the work.

Mr. Lenart said the dike is about a foot lower than its original position.

Mr. Stone said he thinks a habitat study might need to be done because it is a wetland fill project. He said they will need water quality done. Mr. Lenart said the argument would be that they are proposing to restore not put something new in. The Commission said they may need to come back with a habitat and water quality study and/or some way a condition can be written to allow the work to be done.

Mr. Stone told them he could meet out there with DEM and DEP to discuss this project.

The Commission continued the hearing to January 21, 2003.

**285-\*\*\*\* Public Hearing regarding the Notice of Intent filed by Margaret & Tony Saito  
for the construction of a single family dwelling at 7 Turtle Creek Circle**

June Tomaiolo – the builder, John Grenier – the engineer, and Dan Nietszche – the wetlands specialist, attended the hearing.

Mr. Grenier submitted a revised plan. He said there will be some tree clearing. The slope of the land is away from the house, so the run-off is away from the house. He said they are proposing a 4 to 5 foot retaining wall near the garage. He proposed erosion control around the project.

The Commission asked if they could delineate the backyard and line with some hard plantings, wall, etc.

The Commission said they will put a condition to submit a plan for Mr. Stone's approval of boundary line.

Mr. Ostrosky officially closed the hearing.

**5. New Business**

**a. Discussed/Signed Draft Orders of Conditions and Requests for Determination of Applicability**

<b>RDA</b>	<b>1 Cooper Drive – voted negative determination</b>
<b>285-****</b>	<b>33 Clews Street – conditionally approved</b>
<b>285-****</b>	<b>0 Hill Street - continued</b>
<b>285-****</b>	<b>7 Turtle Creek Circle – conditionally approved</b>

**6. Old Business**

**a. Discussed/Signed Extension Permit**

The Commission voted to approve the extension permit for Noble Oaks for a period of two years.

**6. Correspondence**

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

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*Annette W. Rebovich*